

REMARKS

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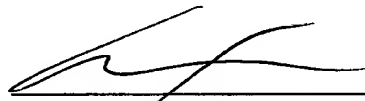
The present Amendment amends claim 1 so as to correct a typographical error, amends claims 9 and 10 to improve the language therein and to correct an improper antecedent reference and amends claim 16 to correct a typographical error.

With respect to the amendment to claim 9 the description regarding the means for switching was amended to more clearly describe that the switching between the first and second condensing lenses is performed so as to insert one of the lenses between the plate the image pick-up element. This amendment does not change the scope of claim 9 since the original language may not have recited this feature clearly. Now based on the present amendment to claim 9 the public is fully apprised of the meets and bounds of the invention as claimed.

The above described amendments to the claims do not change the scope of the claims, enter any new matter, or raise any new issues requiring further consideration and/or search on the part of the Examiner. The above described amendments merely correct typographical errors and clarify language in the claims. Entry of the present Amendment is respectfully requested.

To the extent necessary an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. section 1.136. Please charge any shortage in the fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including extension of time fees, to Deposit Account of MATTINGLY, STANGER, MALUR & BRUNDIDGE, P.C., deposit account No. 50-1417 (Case No. 500.40519X00) and please credit any excess fees to such Deposit Account.

Respectfully submitted,

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